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The Truth About Block!

Paul Block Junior hates Richard T. Gosser's guts.

Because he hates Gosser, he has engaged in a form of yellow journalism in Toledo that must surely offend the good taste and sense of fair play of any decent person in the city his newspapers dominate.

Using the newspapers he inherited, as an instrument to further his personal animosity, he has acted like a spoiled brat, hurling his handufl of journalistic mud at anything and everything remotely connected with Gosser.

The indictment is too long to print on one page. A few minor examples will suffice to measure the incredible degradation of this form of monopolistic journalism:

He attacks anyone (1) who admits being a friend of Gosser. He gives much and favorable publicity to anyone (2) who admits to being a foe of Gosser. He tries to injure the product of any manufacturer (3) who does not vigorously obstruct Gosser. He withdraws his support from any group (4) with which Gosser is prominently identified. He smears those (5) with whom Gosser is known to be friendly. He plays down any achievement (6) of which Gosser is known to be proud. He lends his name to any organization formed (7) for the purpose of fighting a Gosser proposal. He gives space to any organization (8) formed on a beat-Gosser basis.

He plays down the proud record of anyone (9) slugged by an admitted foe of Gosser, and makes excuses (10) for the admitted slugger.

He has editorials written demanding an end to the delay in the trial of a known Gosser supporter (11) charged with assault, but no editorials appear demanding haste in the trial of a known Gosser opponent (12) charged with assualting a friend of Gosser.

He plays up criticism of the manner in which Local 12 elections are run (13) but plays down an invitation (14) from the Local to send a reporter to watch these elections for himself.

He plays up the payment of a pension in a plant where Gosser did no negotiating (15) but ignores bigger pension payments (16) in plants where the Gosser-sponsored pension programs were won.

This is not an accident. It is the policy of the Blade. It is done deliberately. News stories brought in by reporters are changed on the Blade to conform to the hate-Gosser, get-Gosser, destroy-Gosser program of the Blade.

By any ethical standards of adult behavior, this is a disgraceful performance. By any ethical standards of journalism, this is a betrayal of the protection the free press receives in this country.

Toledo is stuck with the Block-controlled press.

Toledo gas shortage is bad, because there is no gas when there should be.

The truth shortage is worse. Readers think they're getting clean and honest news. They're getting the emotional outbursts of a man who simply hates Gosser.

This blight on the name of journalism is all Toledo has. No man, no institution is safe from the merciless assaults of this publisher who uses his father's newspapers as a club to beat down his petty hates.

Toledo needs a new and decent daily newspaper.

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1. Block's papers attacked Congressman Tom Burke, helped defeat him for reelection, and smeared his clean and decent reputation for no other reason than that he was an admitted friend of Gosser.

2. The name of Harold Billheimer of Toledo Scale has been played up in all sorts of Blade stories strictly on the basis that Billheimer opposes Gosser.

3. The Blade gave a front page story to its claims that the Willys-Overland jeep didn't stand up; and is now printing charges that Willys Overland officials are "friendly" to Gosser, implying that this friendliness hurts union members.

4. The Blade, beginning with high praise for the Labor-Management-Citizens Committee, started attacking it because of Gosser's connection with it.

5. The Blade accused Arnold Shenofsky of hitting Toots Martin with a bottle and jabbing him in the face with it, a charge supported by no evidence, no testimony, and not even supported by Martin himself under oath.

6. The Blade frequently sends reporters and photographers to dig up feature stories about Toledo people and activties; but has never yet accepted an invitation to report on the Local 12 Summer Camp, which Gosser originated and of which he is proud.

7. He lent his name to the Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls, a group openly, avowedly and admittedly (under oath) committed to the sole function of blocking and defeating Gosser's Area Pension Plan. He withdrew because it wasn't fighting the Gosser plan hard enough.

8. The Union Equity League, formed according to its propaganda, for the purpose of defeating Gosser and any Gosser-supported union leaders, has been given an incredible amount of space in the Blade, although it has accomplished nothing and advanced no plan for helping union members.

9. The Blade knew about and did not print the decoration for bravery in battle won by Local 12's Walter Murphy, although it fished up the military record of Robert Martin, who went to the dues office to beat Murphy up.

10. The Block editorial writers spoke of Robert Martin's "provocation," which it did not specify, in writing one of its mild editorials against violence in the same affair.

11. The Block papers demanded a quick decision in the charges against Orville Beemer, who got into a fist fight.

12. The Blade has not yet demanded a quick decision in the charges against Robert Martin, who told police he went all the way to the Local 12 dues office to beat up Walter Murphy, and told others he planned to do the same thing to other UAW-CIO officers.

13. The Blade ran, and is still running, "exposes" of Local 12 elections by Toots Martin, who claims that getting out the vote is a Gosser "trick," and gave these articles tremendous prominence in the paper.

14. When President Holewinski of Local 12 offered to let the Blade watch these allegedly undemocratic election proceedings, it was run without comment under another long story with a twisted headline: and the subhead over the Holewinski invitation (printed a day late) was: "Nothing to Conceal, Local 12 Head Says."

15. The Blade gave a big spread to payments under the Toledo Scale pension plan because the Scale plan is not one approved by nor negotiated by Gosser or any of the known friends of Gosser.

16. Bigger and better pension payments to more and younger employes of shops where Gosser negotiated the plan have been ignored.

Toledo Needs A New Daily Paper

E. W. Bliss Retired Workers Having A Get Together

Ten of the 18 workers at the E. W. Bliss Company attended a dinner Tuesday evening at the Commodore Perry Hotel for a first get together and to receive their pension checks negotiated in a UAW-CIO agreement in Region 2-B. It was a fine party climaxed with a delicious beef steak dinner and followed by a confab among cocktails reminiscing the old days. The other eight members were not able to be present for various reasons. Talking things over with the retired workers were officials of the UAW-CIO union and management. Both groups lauded the fine relationship between the E. W. Bliss Company and the UAW-CIO during talks following the dinner. The oldtimers seated left to right are Robert Jake, Clifford Jaques, John Cook, John Burtcher, Simon Boes, Leslie Sawtelle, Lovett DeNune, William Heath, James Milne and Glovan Brown. Standing left to right and graciously giving the seat to the oldtimers are members of the UAW-CIO and Bliss management. Jack O'Connor, plant superintendent; Walter Klatt, President, Local 348; John Radargan, director Industrial Relations; Bernard Beurla, Foundry Superintendent; Charles Kennedy, chairman, Office Unit, UAW; Ernest Born, Comptroller; Norman Kirk, Vice President of the firm; James Ryan, UAW chairman of the Foundry Division; Heinz Szeve, Assistant Director of the UAW-CIO Foundry Division and Norman Lattler, Personnel Manager of the Bliss firm. The main after dinner topic among the old timers was the big ones that likely will get away during the summer for all are ardent fishermen.

UAW-CIO Insurance Pays Off

Peter Jankowski's wife went to the hospital. By the time the Jankowski's were through with the doctors and the hospital the bills had piled up to $326.78. But the UAW-CIO health insurance paid it all.

This is the equivalent of more than $6 a week fos a year, the amount Jankowski would have had to set aside out of his Buckeye Paint wages to pay for the bill without the insurance.

Irvin Mason of Toledo Steel Tube is about $5 a week ahead for the next year, too. He incurred hospital a doctors' bill of $246.80 — but his UAW-CIO health insurance program paid it.

Charles Bazzell of Buddies Box Lunch received $30.

Kay Casagrande of Buddies Box Lunch turned over bills totaling $240.

Betty Jane Zachel (wife of Stephen Zachel of Buckeye Paint) ran into a $150 hospital bill, which the insurance paid.

Helen Jakubowski of Law's Food Service was covered to the extent of $245.90.

Bethine Simrell of Home Made Box Lunch would have had to pay $120 if the UAW-CIO insurance hadn't been in force.

These are just a few of the UAW-CIO insurance claims paid for Local 12 members since the Journal last reported. That UAW-CIO health and accident insurance really pays off.

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Stamps Worth $66 Received

Those little green sales tax stamps most of us leave on the grocery counter can mean health and pleasure for kids this Summer.

Enough of them were turned in the last two weeks for the Local 12 Summer Camp Fund to send more than nine youngsters to camp for a week — with a good start on the seventh.

A total in cash to the union of $66.62 was turned in for the largest two week period since the tax collection began. Sons and daughters of Local 12 members can attend Summer Camp for $7 a week—so each lot of stamps that converts into $7 is good for a week of fishing, swimming, sunshine and outdoor games, of eating fresh Summer Camp food and drinking fresh Summer Camp farm milk for some lucky kid.

Yum! Yum!! Yum!!!

The Women's Guild of Local 12 will hold a Bake Sale on February 22 and 23, the days of the Local 12 election, but not in the same place.

The sale will be held in Parlor A on the main floor of 425 Winthrop street and all donations to the festivities will be welcome.

The proceeds will go to the support of Summer Camp.

This is one affair in which the ladies can have their cake and eat it, too — and can sort of eat some kid's way into a week or more in the sunshine of Sand Lake, Michigan.

The Guild has no objection to pie, understand. A nice frothy lemon pie, or a gooseberry tart, or a twenty-nine egg Angel cake, or even a six foot jelly roll will be just as gratefully received, and as eagerly purchased, as a merely delicious jiffycake, coffee cake or apfel strudel.

This would be the best possible time for the ladies to show their skill — and an excellent time for those who have not yet had a chance to join the Local 12 Women's Guild to pick up a quarter in one hand and a pound cake in the other and come down to headquarters for the fun. Or just come to buy and gobble. You don't have to be a cook — just hungry will do.

Jean Kreunz (who is learning to bake cakes herself) will be glad to furnish additional information over the phone. Just call Main 9126 and ask for the Summer Camp office.

Camera Club Hears Expert Give Talk

The history of the camera, held a group of Local 12 Camera Club members enthralled last Monday when George Lane of the Snap Shop was a guest of the flash fanatics.

He coupled his talk with a discussion and explanation of the various types of lenses, how they are used and why they differ.

The rest of the club meeting was devoted to taking pictures of some of the Local 12 activities going on at the union hall, and in developing prints.

The next meeting, Monday, February 19, will be highlighted by the showing of films on lighting and black and white pictures which will consume about forty five minutes. Then the members will do some more developing and printing of their own work.

One of the club members got a nice brown effect (but no picture) after spending 25 minutes in the dark room developing prints. He left part of the cover off.

New members are still being welcomed into the club. They can get further information by contacting Heinz Szeve or Maxine Comfort at the local union headquarters, 425 Winthrop street.

Unit Elects Delegates

Shop and local elections in Region 2-B are being held almost daily to name delegates to the 13th Convention of the UAW-CIO to be held the first week in April at Cleveland.

Among those so far elected are:

Louis Mattox, Acklin unit, Local 12.

William Love, Acklin unit, Local 12.

Jack Burtscher, Airway unit, Local 12.

Zig Lapinski, Airway unit, Local 12.

James Ryan, E. W. Bliss Foundry unit, Local 12.

Melvin Lazette, Toledo Pipe Threading unit, Local 12.

Chester Lawniczak, Toledo Stamping unit, Local 12.

Jess Higley, Remington Arms, Local 366.

Burnell Keller, National Farm Machinery, Local 617.

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You've Been "Stabilized"!

There's no point in a hard lesson if we don't learn the lesson.

So we're going to rub it in a little, to make sure no one misses the point.

Just over three months ago the Journal was saying: "A vote for Taft and the Reactionaries is a vote for a PAY CUT."

We warned you that if your friends in Washington lost, and if the enemies of the people — from Taft on down — were to win in November, it would cost every working Joe money out of his paycheck.

Meanwhile the Block papers — the Times and the Blade — were telling you different. Taft and the rest would "stabilize" things for you, they said.

Okay, brothers and sisters. Let's look it over. Who lied to you? Who told you the truth?

You got stabilized all right. Your wages got stabilized DOWN and prices got stabilized UP. Your costs are balloning, and your wages are frozen.

The pay check at which you're frozen is going to shrink. They're going to tax YOU to pay the profits the corporations will make from defense. That tax is going to be deep — and it's going to be a cut in take home pay.

How about prices, while you pay for this defense program?

Look at them. Ask the housewife.

They go up every day. Food you bought yesterday will be higher tomorrow. You'll find a can of peas with prices crossed out and higher prices written in — higher prices on the SAME can of peas, bought at a single price!

Sure. You've been "stabilized" by the biggest business executives in the country. They're running the government now — and somebody voted to give them the chance. Last November the union papers were laughed at, and somebody believed the Blade and the Times.

But we told you it would be like this, and they told you different.

Prices, of course, should be rolled back to the prices prevailing in January 1950.

Wages should be adjusted upward and then the economy should be frozen.

That's how your FRIENDS in Congress would have voted, if they had been elected. We told you so.

Martin Reveals Local 12 Officers Elected By Majority Of Voters

Toots Says You Can't Trust 'Em

Here is the entire Election Committee of Willys-Overland—the rank-and-file workers who volunteered for the thankless job of overseeing the traditional free and honest W-O Unit voting. Toots Martin wanted to hire Brink guards to watch them. Paul Block, Junior, doesn't trust them. But decent people trust them and the election will be honestly run—as usual.

Blade, Equity League Oppose Democracy

Toots Martin put it simply — as simply as Gene Fiske can write: Local 12 officers are elected by a majority of those who bother to vote.

But in two whole days of Blade propaganda in the finest Fiske prose, Toots Martin never mentioned the fact that the Local 12 membership chooses its officers from the candidates nominated in open meeting.

Those nominations were made at the regular membership meeting last Friday night. The announcements had been carried regularly in the Journal, and those wanting to put forward candidates for Local 12 office were presumably on hand to nominate them.

Toots Martin was there.

Toots Martin nominated nobody.

If no known friends of Martin are candidates for office; if no known supporters of the Bolman-Block-Billheimer-Martin Equity League are candidates for office, it is only because no nominations of such friends and supporters were offered.

The Martin-Fiske indictment of Local 12 elections declares flatly that there is no fraud, no hanky-panky, in Local 12 balloting. The whole complaint Martin spread before a Blade audience is that workers at Willys-Overland often cast a heavy vote for Local 12 candidates known to be supporters of Vice President Richard T. Gosser.

This is, of course, entirely true. (See page 7).

It is the same complaint Republicans used to make about the constant reelection of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Roosevelt and those whom he supported won elections as often as they ran. They were swept into office by the people — people who had had a taste of depression and disaster, of being downtrodden and pushed around, of having no hope for the future, no security. Under the late FDR, they began to gain some of the decencies, some of the good things of life.

They would have voted for Roosevelt as long as he wanted to run for office.

Local 12 members, and particularly those at Willys-Overland, vote pretty much the same way. Their paychecks were negotiated for them by Gosser,

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Three Questions

First Question: Was Toots Martin paid by the Blade for those "exclusive stories?"

Second Question: If so, how long has the Blade been paying Toots Martin for reports of Local 12 affairs?

Third Question: If so, isn't there a better way to make a living?

The Fiske Vote

The year Gene Fiske was elected president of the Guild, the CIO union at the Blade and Times, the election was held in TIUC hall.

About 25 per cent of the membership voted.

This year he's running for vice president of the Guild. Maybe he's campaigning on the platform of Down-With-Gosser and Up-With-Martin.

But if anyone knows better than to criticize small union turn-outs it's an ex-oficer of the Toledo Newspaper Guild.

Welcome!

Local 12 was unanimously chosen representative in an NLRB election held Tuesday among the employees of Goodyear Tire & Rubber, Steel Rim Division, in Toledo.

Invitation

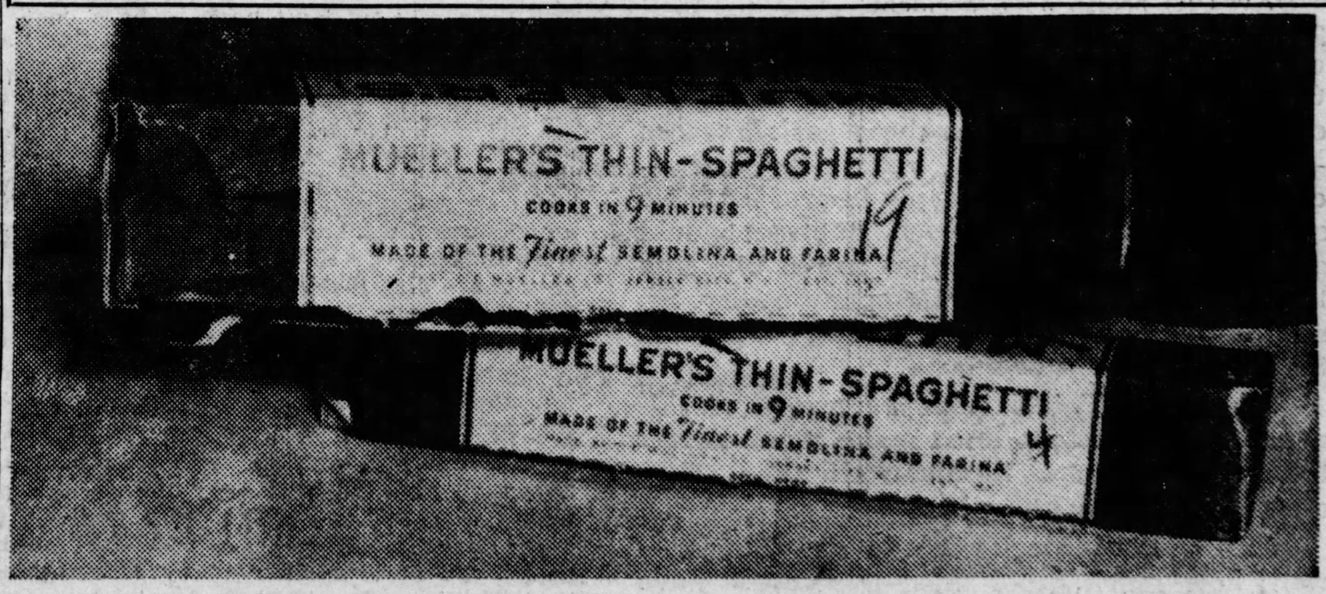
Clem Holewinski, president of Local 12, released the following statement to the Toledo Blade Tuesday morning:

"The Blade has chosen to interest itself in our Local 12 election this year.

"We don't believe it's any of the Blade's business, any more than the election of officers of the Blade board of directors is any of ours.

"However, we conduct an honest election in Local 12, and have nothing to conceal. If the Blade wants to assign an honest reporter, we have no objection to letting him cover the entire Local 12 election this year, all the way to the counting of the ballots."

Picture Of The Price Gouge



Two days before prices were "frozen" a worker bought the top package of spaghetti at Felker's on Ashland Avenue. It contained 16 ounces for 19 cents. Ten days later the same worker bought the bottom package (the only size they had) at the same store—8 ounces for 14 cents. This was a 33 per cent boost AFTER the price freeze—16 ounces for 28 cents.

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The Wage-Price Muddle

IT IS SAID that Nero fiddled while Rome burned. And it seems that the Price Stabilization Board in Washington, under the immediate direction of our former mayor, Mike DiSalle, is doing just about the same thing. Government agencies freely admit that prices are skyrocketing every day. Prices in practically every field have hit new peaks since the middle of last year when the Korean war flared into violent action. Yet there is no definite action by our government to control and to roll-back these impossible price-hikes to their proper levels.

The situation is made intolerable by the "wage freeze" that was slapped on the working people. Right now literally hundreds of collective bargaining sessions are held up simply because no one seems to know how far wages might be lifted. Thus we see that while there seems to be nothing much anyone can do to actually stop the rising cost of living, the earnings of people are held to levels long obsoleted by these same price hikes.

The situation is made much worse for the people by the government's action demanding stiff tax increases not only on personal incomes, but on the most necessary and vital commodities that the common people need. Meanwhile almost nothing is done to tax the fantastic profits of Big Business.

No wonder people, in the low-income groups especially, are getting impatient with these government policies. It seems to us that the Administration should act quickly to bring about strict control of prices and to allow wage adjustments in all industries to take care of (1) substandard wage conditions and (2) eliminate the slack that exists presently between wage standards and prices. Surely there must be established a proper and equitable relationship between prices and wages, otherwise our country may run into some very stiff weather — economically and politically speaking.

In any event, Messers. Wilson, Johnston, DiSalle and Ching ought to quit fiddling and get down to serious business to protect the welfare of our people and our country.

Let The People Suffer

IT IS NOW freely admitted — even by Paul Block's **Blade** and **Times** — that Toledo workers suffered "enormous losses" in wages as a result of our recent gas-shortage lay-offs. In our estimation this loss in wages must run well over a million dollars. How much of a beating business and industry took will probably never be known.

Nor can we ever estimate the cruel and inhuman suffering that so many of our people had to experience because the Gas Company failed in its obligation to our community.

Gas Company officials, and those who support them, may argue that all this loss, all this suffering is the result of an "Act of God." That is not true. It is the result of the negligence and indifference of Gas Company officials for the welfare of our people. Mr. Ludwig, Gas Company vice president, and everyone else knows full well that these gas shortages — recurring periodically, year after year — could be eliminated by simply improving their service and storage facilities. But that would cost a little money. Yes, that would bite into the fat profits of the Gas Company utility. So, nothing is done. Profits come first, people and their livlihood a poor second.

Our city officials must be aware of this situation. The people must make them correct this intolerable and inhuman situation. They can do it and they know it.

As for Paul Block's **Blade** and **Times** — well, how much proof must the people have to realize that they care just as much for the welfare of our people as do the Gas Company big shots?

Think It Over

Dangers Of Mass Unemployment

By PETE ZVARA

THIS ONE is for the books. It seems incredible. Yet, it is true that literally hundreds of thousands of automobile and electrical workers face unemployment unless something is done at once to stave off the already scheduled sharp cutbacks in civilian production in these two industries alone.

Pete Zvara

Right here in Toledo thousands of workers will be laid off within the next 30 to 60 days according to present production scheduling. And no one seems to be able to do anything about it.

Not that this is a "new" problem. It isn't. The top level leadership of the UAW-CIO warned about just such a development as we are about to experience many, many weeks ago. President Reuther, speaking for the International Executive Board, told official Washington that civilian cutbacks should be arranged in such a way as to allow defense work to take the place of curtailed civilian production and thus avoid mass lay-offs of workers.

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THE SITUATION is so critical that even the automobile industry executives recognize it. Chrysler announced not so long ago that with the ordered cutbacks in car production they will be forced to lay-off 25,000 workers. UAW-CIO officials say that already nearly 12,000 Chrysler, Plymouth and Dodge workers have been forced into idleness.

To what extent lay-offs have hit other auto manufacturers is not known exactly. **However, the fact that in October of last year only 18,000 workers claimed unemployment benefits in Michigan as against 92,000 claims filed last month is indicative of what is taking place.**

We might add that auto industry officials estimate that between 250,000 to 500,000 workers will be laid off when the full effect of the government ordered production curtailments hit the auto industry.

UAW-CIO officials estimate the number of unemployed to hit around 350,000.

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WHAT makes this situation even more critical is the fact that most of these workers will not be able to find employment in defense work until sometime in 1952. True, some government officials disagree with this, but no one in responsible office in government seems able to show where and when these unemployed workers will be able to locate themselves in defense work before 1952.

This already serious situation is made more tense by the apparent disregard with which Defense Mobilization Director Charles E. Wilson looks upon all suggestions concerning national defense submitted to him by Organized Labor. Unlike Knudson under President Roosevelt, Wilson under President Truman is determined to "run the show" to suit himself. There is no Sidney Hillman in the defense set-up. As a matter of fact, there are no labor representatives anywhere in the top policy set-up in Washington today.

To make the situation worse, if that were possible, Wilson took the manpower problem out of the Department of Labor despite the unanimous and vigorous opposition of the entire labor movement.

Consequently, the situation at the moment is very "fluid." Organized Labor, more united than ever before, is very displeased over the way things are handled in Washington. A quiet, but nonetheless bitter struggle is being waged behind the scenes about wages and prices. Some government people insist on doing away with the cost-of-living escalator clauses in labor agreements. This, of course, would hit the UAW-CIO hardest of all. More, these people are also insisting upon the elimination of the so-called "annual wage improvement factor" of 4c that a great many UAW-CIO agreements call for.

Nor is there agreement between Organized Labor and government officials regarding prices, with the former demanding genuine price roll-backs.

All in all, the situation in Washington today is extremely critical and only the future will show which way things will go. Fortunately, there are high government officials who feel that Labor's beefs" are serious and worthy of every consideration. Furthermore, they fear — and quite properly so—that unless these things are taken into consideration considerable unrest may develop along the labor front.

Regional Views

By Richard T. Gosser
International Vice President
UAW-CIO

WHEN you talk to the people in the shops it constantly surprises you how much misunderstanding there is about pensions, even now.

Many don't know, for instance, that the Willys-Overland pension negotiated last November becomes effective next July. This amount of time is necessary to get all of the actuarial detail work done and get a program off to a good start.

It is interesting, too, to trace the effect of the UAW-CIO drive for better old age security on the payments made by the Federal government.

As late as last September, the average old age pension payment was only $26 and had a maximum of only $46.50. Even last September it would have been impossible to imagine anyone trying to live on that kind of money. The price gouging set off by the Korean war had already been going for a couple of months, and a maximum pension of $46.50 didn't mean much. The average of $26 a month was practically an insult.

After September the Federal payment jumped to $68.50, with an average of $44.25.

And as of next July, the maximum will climb to $80, with a $50 a month average payment anticipated.

The average will have doubled by next Summer, and the maximum will nearly have doubled—and all for one simple reason.

The UAW-CIO went after pensions with the full power of its million plus membership, and brought benefits to the aged all over the country, in and out of unions.

There must be hundreds in Toledo alone who are receiving the greatly increased Federal benefits who don't realize it was the UAW-CIO drive that won these boosts for them.

UAW-CIO members in Toledo, of course, mostly get additional pensions paid for by the company—and few get less than $100 a month. Most of them get more.

Behind these dull, dry statistics is a point that is overlooked by the people who fight unions and hate labor leaders.

When I read some new smear story in the Toledo Blade, it makes me angry and disgusted, just as it would anybody else. And I wonder how much of that kind of thing I'm supposed to take.

But when I meet some old timer whose retiring years have been made easier by a fight I helped to lead, I know that the fight has been worth it. I know I can take some more of it if I have to.

They come up to you, these old people, and they smile—sometimes the tears come to their eyes—and they try to tell you how thankful they are that the UAW-CIO carried the fight all the way through for its membership and for the whole country.

They can't tell you, of course. But you know.

And knowing makes it all worth while. I can walk out among men after one of those nasty Blade pieces and feel that I have done something clean and wholesome for my city that none of the cheap critics of the Blade can match in their entire lives.

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Tillotson News

Compiled By Derele Collins

Now that the nomination of officers for the Executive Shop Committee is over, we seem to be drifting into the usual pre-election pattern of mud slinging, half truths, plain lies and false interpretations of any thing and everything so long as it suits the purpose of a few disgruntled individuals, who would like to see your unit run by themselves and for their very own selfish interest.

To you, the unit body, lies the responsibility for the type of unit you desire. Keeping always in mind, that you must make up your own mind as to what you really want. Then, above all, have the courage to stand behind your own convictions. And when election day rolls around on March 6, be sure your vote is in the ballot box.

Assembly Dept.

Theresa W. we wish to extend to you the very best in anniversary greetings. Theresa celebrated her 47th year of matrimonial bliss. We wish you many happy returns of the day, Theresa.—M. S.

Lucille J. would like to thank Johnny S. for returning her lost wallet.

Everett R. would like to thank H. M. for the new truck.

If 5 or 6 girls on the second floor would mind their own business the last year there would be no trouble on the floor.—L. S.

Everett Rizor has a cocker spaniel for sale.

Who is the girl on the second floor who was seen going into the Jeep garage on Monday when the plant had no heat. H.B.

Theresa Mandel bowled high game Thursday with 184. Keep up the good work, Theresa.

Lucky Rose Mansfield won the check pool Friday. M.S.

If a certain party on second floor would have done her job the proper way there would be no trouble on second floor. M. S.

Machine Shop

Jerry Winkleman, we are glad to see you back after your illness. Lots of us missed you while you were off Jerry.

We wish to extend birthday greetings to Martha B., Mary M., and Lottie P. Many happy returns, ladies.

Well, what do you know. We have a lot of birthdays coming to our attention and we love it.

To Celia Gelette, Virginia Gordon, Neoma Leggit, Marion Gorski we extend our very best wishes for a happy and prosperous birthday. We hope you ladies have many more.

Florence K. We wish to this opportunity to wish that very fine son of yours a happy birthday on his very first one. We wish to go further and say may all the years ahead of him be happy and prosperous.

We would like to wish all the other members who have had birthdays that have not been brought to our attention a happy and prosperous birthday.

Mail Order and Repair

Welcome back to our unit, Paul (Stonewall) Bodner. We are sure you will get an even break with us. We also have a suspiscion that you got a rough deal in your recent venture. Well, anyway, Paul, we hope you are none the worse off from your experience. Ace.

To the members in this department we wish to offer our apologies for the non appearance of your items a couple of weeks ago. But circumstances beyond our control caused the non-appearance of your items. We sincerely hope you folks will forgive us.—D. C.

Willys Unit Pays 1951 ULC Dues

Members of Willys-Overland Unit voted to maintain their membership in the United Labor Committee for 1951. Presenting the check to Cloid Lichty of the ULC is Ray Wale, Unit vice chairman. At extreme left is committeeman Stanley (Rocky) Rokicki and at right Claude Nadeau. Standing left to right are committeemen Bob Seger, Charles Kahle, Dave Seretsky and George Teatsorth.

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Offered To The Blade—

Dear Sir:

Mr. Cyrus Martin, in his first article on Local 12 elections, stated that he helped ferry carloads of voters to Local 12 headquarters whenever they were needed. It seems strange to me, and I imagine to a lot of other union people, that "Toots" should all of a sudden bring this fact out in the daily newspaper as one of the "bad" things about Local 12 elections. Why didn't he, if he felt this was wrong, try to put a stop to it when he was on the payroll of the International Union? Why does he now bring this fact out, now that he is just a plain, ordinary worker in a plant like millions of others?

He also said that in the last Willys-Overland Unit meeting, he tried to straighten some things out about the election. Certainly, being a member of the Willys-Overland Unit, he had every right to speak his piece long before this but he never took the opportunity because as long as he was being paid for his job as International Representative, everything was fine and dandy—he didn't see anything wrong with the way things were run.

Is all this because Toots likes the sound of extra money jangling in his pockets? Since he went back to work in the shop, his pay has been somewhat reduced from an International Representative's pay. Is this his way of compensating for his reduction in pay? What will you do, Mr. Paul Block, Jr., when you find out that this has all been a hopeless hoax?

Surely, Toots could have found some other recourse to air his gripes in than a daily newspaper and especially the Toledo Blade. Why didn't he air them in a union meeting? Is it because he would receive something in return for giving the Toledo Blade a great big "scoop"?

Yours truly,
Irene Stephenson

Dear Sir:

Being a union man, with real unionism at heart, I can't help but get quite antagonized at the attacks made against Richard Gosser. Billheimer, Bolman, Gray and the rest of their group surely have proven in a thousand ways that real unionism means nothing to them, the way they have been attacking their leader, but, "Toots" Martin really floors me. It isn't too long ago that if you even as much as said "Gosser is no good," you could expect a punch in the kisser from "Toots". Now I ask you "Toots", through the medium of your friend Paul Block, why the sudden change in your feeling about Dick. It couldn't be because you are no longer working for him, could it? All the things the Blade has accused Gosser of seem to date quite far back. Do you mean that a man who claims to be as wonderful as you are could possibly work for such a person as you and Paul Block seem to think he is. It seems to me if he did all the things you claim, and you continued working with him, you were just as guilty. Why didn't you do your squawking then and not wait until after you quit?

Your latest write ups in the Sunday and Monday Blade sure are making you a laughing stock to the workers at Willys. Believe me "Toots" you had better start collecting, if you have not already done so. I bet Paul thinks you are a real genius at this sort of thing. Sure a far cry from past years, when you used to sing "Gosser is our Leader" in that beautiful voice of yours.

Yours truly,
Harold G. Peason
3716 Bowen Rd.

Dear Sir:

The more I read the Blade the more surprised I get. I wonder what is wrong with Willys-Overland. Mr. Block is continually criticizing something done at the Willys plant.

As a Willys worker and a union member I wonder if Mr. Block has ever taken time out to have reporters make a spot check in other parts of the country on how union elections are held. I wonder if he realizes that elections here are on the same order as in other unions throughout the country and following the UAW Constitution.

Mr. Block who runs his newspaper has nothing to do with the Willys-Overland plant and nothing to do with the UAW-CIO. Mr. Block who does not have a contract with the UAW for his workers seems to be worried about the UAW-CIO, and its leadership. Could it be, Mr. Block, that you are trying to influence the elections in the UAW-CIO? Could it be your prime motive to satisfy employers for the huge profit?

There must be some reason why Mr. Block is so interested in the UAW-CIO. No man's hatred could be so great without any reason for it and use the extremes and unfounded stories in a paper regardless of thought for decency or truth.

Why don't Mr. Block leave us alone and take more interest for the underdog who have been the people living in various communities of Toledo where there is a gas shortage and people have been cold because of the gas monopoly. Why don't the Blade assign a reporter to learn the truth and reasons for the gas shortage?

Truly yours,
Leo Zielinski

Dear Sir:

I read the Blade editorial February 7 and I am beginning to think Paul Block Junior is so full of connivery he doesn't think any body else is honest either.

The average person at Willys-Overland is just like me, not trying to influence a big block of people but just interested in my day to day job and my family and country and church.

I am perfectly willing to trust my election committee and my stewards and unit and local officers. They have taken care of me fine, and I think they will do so in the future.

Yours truly,
A. Sidlar

Dear Sir:

If Mr. Block hates Mr. Gosser so bad he has to keep hammering away at him, than it means this little publisher certainly knows how to nurse a hate for a long time.

But I wonder if it is only that. Mr. Block has with the unit ,nothing to do with our union. None of with the unit, nothing to do with odr union. None of this is any of his business.

So maybe what it's all about is just that Mr. Block is doing a job for the manufacturers, to get in good with them so they will help him keep making a million dollars profit every year.

If that is why he keeps stirring things up, it is certainly not a very grown up way to go about things.

Yours truly,
Albert Long

Sir:

I don't think all of this baloney in your Blade about Martin and the Local 12 elections means anything except that Paul Block Junior is trying to affect the election of delegates to the UAW-CIO convention.

He has set himself up as the self-appointed arbitrator of what is good for the workers in Toledo.

Has he given the workers at the Toledo Blade and the Toledo Times a nice company-paid pension and company-paid insurance policy like ours? Has he taken care of the people who work for him? If not, maybe he had better attend to his own affairs and leave ours alone.

Yours truly,
Earl Nichols

Editor:

Last Sunday, Feb. 11, 1951, I opened your paper to procure the comics which are of fairly good caliber, but Lo and Behold the headlines on the first page of the news section took all the enjoyment out of the hunt for the comic pages. What a foul taste these headlines and the article itself, left in my mouth.

On Toots Martin's own story all I can say is that there is a great amount of intelligence lacking in the drippings of Martin's pen. He has no axe to grind and the only conclusion anyone can reach after reading that article is the old expression "Sour Grapes."

The person who wrote the article for Toots Martin in the Sunday edition did nothing to better his following considering the fact that Toots has no constructive criticism to offer. The writer can give nothing in facts to the reader if there is nothing in barrel to drain out the old saying "It is the empty barrel that makes the most noise" sure fits Martin to a "T."

Loretta Schillinger

Dear Sir:

The Toledo Blade editorial last week was pretty silly. It makes Paul Block Junior look as though everything is wrong unless he figured it out himself. We had a democratic union meeting and I know because I was there. Toots Martin, he said his piece, and Chuck Ballard, he said his, and then there was a vote. That's the way democracy runs, and maybe that's what Paul Block Junior doesn't like, democracy.

But what we do at Willys-Overland is none of Block's business, so why get excited about what he says anyway?

Yours truly,
Vivian Mechan

Dear Sir:

Why is it that nobody seems to think anything is the matter with Dick Gosser or the union is run while he is working for the union and drawing the good wages we union members pay them? But as soon as they get fired they think the union is going to the dogs and Gosser is terrible!

That's the way it was with Pecord and Randy Gray, and now look at this Cyrus (Toots) Martin who thought everything was just fine for 13 years, but now he thinks its lousy.

If there are any other reps on the payroll who don't like the way things are going, we wonder why don't they speak up now, and not wait until they are off the payroll?

Yours truly,
Muriel Bomia

Dear Sir:

I read the Blade's editorial February 7. It's funny to me, regardless of what anybody does, even the majority of the membership at a meeting, it's all wrong unless it corresponds with what Mr. Block wants. It seems in a democratic union meeting (I don't know if Mr. Block ever attended one or not) that Cyrus Martin or any other member has a right to express themselves and Chuck Ballard has a right or any other member has a right to disagree with him. After all sides have had their right to free expression I don't think anyone, including Paul Block of The Toledo Blade can question the seriousness of a thousand people in their voting.

I am beginning to believe Mr. Block is so full of connivery in diferent ways to befuddle a great number of people, that he believes everyone is guilty of it. Everyone is not trying to influence a tremendous amount of people. The average person who goes to the Willys-Overland meeting is just a person who works on some jobs. I think he is capable of making an honest decision. Mr. Block's editorial would make you believe everyone is dishonest.

Yours truly,
Joseph Lechman

Dear Sir:

According to the Toledo Blade and Paul Block Junior there is nothing good about Willys-Overland at all. First your paper says the Jeeps are no good. Then you say the management is no good. Then again your papers say Mr. Gosser who came from Willys-Overland and who negotiated our contracts, he's no good.

And now, if I understand that e d i t o r i a l last Wednesday, even the workers are no good, because they voted the way they felt like voting at a unit meeting, and not the way Paul Block Junior and Toots Martin wanted them to vote.

Maybe the good wages they pay at Willys-Overland under the UAW-CIO contract Mr. Gosser got are good either, according to Mr. Block. Your advertisers perhaps should refuse to take our money too. It amounts to a nice tidy sum of money every week, too. Or maybe we should refuse to pay it to your advertisers.

Yours truly,
John Gorka

De,ar Editor:

So Paul Block, Jr. has come back to life. For a while his paper really printed things of interest to all the people in Toledo. even a little about the gas, situation. Now lo and behold he comes out with a very, very special feature story, "Cyrus Martin's Own Story."

I know that space will not permit me writing everything I would like to write about this very exclusive story but there are a few things in it that have made me mad enough to write this letter. Since when is an Overland meeting dominated by stewards I think I have attended just about as many meetings as Toots Martin and believe me when I say when it comes to the roll call of stewards, which happens at the very end of a meeting, the hall is practically empty. I am sure if those people had all been stewards they would have stayed long enough to answer the roll call. No, those people were real union members, the kind that attends their meetings and also find time to go down to vote. They are not too busy to go down to Local 12 hall to cast their vote, they are interested enough in their union to pick their own officers. I can't understand what "Toots" has to worry about now that they have their great big Equity League. Surely, Toots, they are not too tired to go down to the hall and cast their ballot. Too bad your people are so busy with their families to get over to Winthrop Street. How do they find the time to attend your meetings? You had better activize your people a little better, Toots if you want to beat our guys, the real union people at Willys.

Yours truly,
Benjamin Guzynski

Dear Sir:

In looking over the Tuesday Blade I must confess it made me sick to my stomach. In reference to the front page article in a supposed exclusive article by Toots Martin it was one of the phoniest articles I ever read. And I read many in your paper. Your writer,

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and if I was him, should hang his face in shame because it was a story unfounded and absolutely without facts.

I am a member of Willys-Overland Unit for 7 years and have voted in all elections. No one can convince me that the elections are not conducted as per our UAW Constitution. The days of voting and hours are set by the membership and every member has the right to attend a Unit meeting and vote on the procedure.

Again I must say it was a phony article. Why not practice writing articles backed by facts not as a disgruntled member says so.

Yours truly,
Floyd Wysowaty

Dear Sir:

"I have watched Local 12 elections for thirteen years." This, my dear editor, is the opening statement in "Cyrus Martin's Own Story," first of two insallments, which appeared in Sunday's Blade. Maybe I am dense, but I just can't figure out how an International Representative, paid by us (you know we people do pay them) could sit back and watch such things going on in our union without telling the members about it. Don't tell me "Toots" didn't have an opportunity to do so before now. He was pretty regular in his attendance at the Willys-Overland Unit meetings and not once while working for the International did I ever hear him so much as hint that there was anything wrong with our elections. That was the time for him to speak up, not now, after he has left the payroll of the International. We paid him so he could see that things were on the up and up. Now that we have stopped paying him, why is it that everything is wrong with our elections, our union and our leader, Vice-President Gosser? He is the one who should be ashamed of himself, ashamed to face the people, for letting us be hood-winked as he claims.

It couldn't be, could it "Toots" that your work was suffering so much that Chuck Ballard could no longer tolerate it? Maybe Chuck had a little more guts than you did and came right out and told you a union couldn't be run the way you wanted to run your share of it. Could it be sour-grapes, Toots, or could it be that some one is paying you a little more than the International could afford. Just wondering.

Yours truly,
Bob Seger
1738 Fairfax Rd.

Jo[illegible]. Jakab
334 Stillman Ct.
Toledo 5, Ohio.

Dear Brother Jakab:

It is only letters like yours of Feb. 4, 1951, that makes those in honest leadership of our Great Union, have the desire to continue their fighting for the added benefits the workers are entitled to. Like you say, we have always had traitors in the Labor Movement as there is always someone that will take a dishonest dollar; but the workers today are better informed than they used to be, and they can see through these scheming individuals who would destroy our Union.

Let me thank you for your letter, and I only wish more of the Membership would take their pen in hand and let us know just what they think about, not always as to what their Union has done for them (though that is always appreciated and rarely expressed) but just what they as an individual, expect their Union to do for them in the future. After all our future, individually and collectively, is most certainly the most important.

Fraternally yours,
Walter Murphy, Editor
Toledo Union Journal

To The Editor:

As was to be expected, the lid is off and Toots Martin is doing everything possible to stir up trouble just before election time. As I view the first article of "Cyrus Martin's Own Story" I cannot help think how one man can change over night. In years past, Mr. Cyrus "Toots" Martin was allegedly one of Mr. Gosser's first and foremost friends both in the labor movement and in private life. He has worked for the International Union UAW-CIO right up until the Local 12 feud started last May, 1950. This is when he began to show his true colors. As Mr. Martin states in his article, he has been active in the union for the past 13 years and has always appeared to be of the right-wing faction. Do you mean to tell me Mr. Block, that he could possibly work under the Gosser regime all these years if things were so crooked in the union as he puts it? Why didn't he get out years ago? No, he thought Dick Gosser was a wonderful straight-forward unionist in those days. If things were so rotten in the very union he worked for, and was a part of, how could he live with himself? These are questions even Mr. Martin must be asking himself.

Mr. Martin states he does not accuse Mr. Gosser or Mr. Ballard of "bad intentions" yet he dares to say Local 12 elections are conducted in an underhanded way. He goes on to say that he has never seen any stuffing of ballot boxes. As I get the picture, these ballots are kept in a sealed ballot box and kept in one of the offices of Local 12 headquarters on the eve of the first night's voting. Each person on the election committee personally signs his name on strips of tape which are sealed in such a way that if the seals were broken the election committee would immediately know it the following morning. On the second day's voting the counting of the ballots starts right after the last vote is cast; the election committee does not go home until the last vote is counted. They even have their supper brought in, so how can there be any unfairness? I might add that each side may have their own people serve on the election committee to observe to see that the election is carried on in an American democratic way.

Yours truly,
Lois Schultz
8 Elton St.

Dear Sir:

I got a copy of my insurance plan from my shop steward this week. It had just been printed up.

This is the insurance plan my company is paying for because Dick Gosser was willing to go out and negotiate for it.

It looks pretty good to me. It makes me feel safe. I am glad Dick Gosser had enough ability to go out and win it for us.

You can keep right on calling Mr. Gosser all the names you want to, but it doesn't make any difference about that insurance plan. We've GOT that, and all your dirty twisting and name calling won't get it back.

It's probably a lucky thing you don't let the public sit on your big shot committee to decide what campaigns the Toledo Blade will take off on next, because some of it you wouldn't approve of.

Instead of this long and tiresome campaign to try to convince people who didn't have anything before Gosser went to work for the union, and who have got something now, that Gosser is no good for them, here are a few things I would suggest for you to look into.

What does the guy at the Gas Company say when he sells a newcomer to Toledo a gas stove or a gas furnace. Does he say that this is a nice stove, but if it gets cold on Thanksgiving Day the turkey in the oven will spoil because there won't be enough gas, and the furnace won't heat your house?

And I would look into what the manufacturers do on their income taxes about the money they put into the Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls. If they are deducting it from their income taxes, of course that means that the working people of Toledo were paying to fight themselves. And I would look around and compare rates and that kind of thing and see if hospital rates go up after the insurance payments go up, or before. That would make an interesting thing to look into, and a lot of people would read that story. And doctors fees, too.

Yours truly,
L. L. Miller,
Maumee, Ohio
Plaskon

Dear Sir:

You have to hand it to our union newspaper, the Toledo Union Journal. It sure keeps its eye on you.

I got my copy of the Journal on Friday and it had all those letters in it. I had wondered what became of them because everybody in my shop was laughing about it. They were writing you letters and you weren't printing them. But then the Journal came out with them, and you came right out the next day to explain why YOU hadn't run any.

And I had to read in the Journal about that little company, Lakeside Biscuit, always planning to leave Toledo. In the Blade it looked like the strike had driven them out.

In fact, it isn't safe for anybody to read the Blade unless he takes the Toledo Union Journal, too, just to see what you are up to.

All the time you were trying to tear down our vice president, Dick Gosser, and our international secretary-treasurer, Emil Mazey, and kept calling Walter Reuther, our president, names. I was reading in the Journal what it was all about and why you were doing it.

So you have to hand it to the Journal. It sure keeps the spot light right on you.

Yours truly,
Leo J. Baidel,
1663 Pinewood Ave.
(Plaskon Unit)

Why The Workers Vote As They Do

Every Overland worker knows that there was a time when working in the sprawling Willys-Overland plant was no picnic. Particularly before the birth of our union in that plant back in the hectic NRA days of 1933. That time, with work about as scarce as a white elephant, workers in this plant — like every other unorganized plant — were at the complete mercy of the boss. And by "boss" we mean every small-fry supervisor or foreman to top supervision. The "old timers"—and "Toots" Martin is one of these—should remember. Yes, they remember how their fellow workers were fired without reason; how their seniority meant nothing; how they had to kow-tow to their foremen to keep their jobs. One department superintendent was particularly notorious for his regular monthly raffles that he jammed down the throat of his workers, whether they liked it or not.

More, the "old timers" remember how they had to "invite" the bosses to their home for dinners; how they had to bring them "bootleg hootch" and cigars by the box just to keep their jobs.

Low Wages, Sweat Shop Conditions

Nor can we forget the miserable wages — 35c to 60c per hour when we were lucky enough to work — that we used to get. Just as bad, if not worse, were the inhuman sweatshop conditions that we had to labor under.

With the coming of the Union, however, things changed, but definitely. Fear was driven out of the minds of our people. The workers gained rights that they never dreamed of before. No longer did they have to kow-tow to every two-bit foreman. The union was behind them to protect their rights.

Not that these rights and privileges came overnight. Oh, no. It took years before Management learned that the workers were "human" beings with "rights" of their own.

Gosser Takes The Lead

Dick Gosser, an "old timer" at Overland, quickly became one of the moving spirits of the union. In 1936, when the Union was still young, inexperienced and struggling for life, he became chairman of the Willys-Overland unit. And in 1938 he was elected president of Local 12.

There was a time that the Willys-Overland plant was closed by a strike. The workers struck for plant seniority — a right now so much enjoyed by the members of our Union.

Because of his dynamic leadership in Local 12, everyone knew that it was but a matter of time before Dick Gosser would be given leadership in the entire Region. This finally happened in 1942 when he was elected to the International Executive Board and as such became the Regional Director of this area. In 1947 Dick Gosser became International Vice President on the Reuther slate. He got this high post because of his unwavering support of the "right" wing faction in the UAW-CIO through the long years of bitter struggle that preceded the ousting of R. J. Thomas and his clique from control of America's largest industrial union.

"Peace" Record Unrivaled

Since that strike at the Overland, the UAW-CIO members in Toledo have enjoyed an **"era of peace"** unmatched anywhere in the country. Particularly during World War II, the "responsibility" of the UAW-CIO in Toledo — under Dick Gosser's leadership — was truly exemplary.

We had no strikes on the local scale of any consequence.

We didn't need any strikes.

Workers did not lose time because of strikes — especially at the Willys-Overland plant.

Production was not halted and thus business gained.

And the community gained.

Following World War II, Dick Gosser became one of the firmest supporters of our Labor-Management-Citizens Committee to maintain industrial peace; to keep production rolling without interruption.

In all these fields Dick Gosser played a leading, if not dominant role.

Jurisdictional Disputes Ended

Nor did our community suffer from the plague of "jurisdictional" strikes. Again because of Gosser's initiative, peace was established between the rival AFL and CIO unions. This alone was an achievement of monumental proportions.

Yet during all this time our Union — together with all the unions in Toledo — not only kept abreast of the labor movement generally, but surpassed the standards established elsewhere.

Toledo wages became high, surpassed only by Detroit wages.

Our union contracts with our employers became models for others to "shoot at."

Right now everyone knows — including "Toots" Martin — that our wage agreement with the Willys-Overland plant is by far the best in the automobile industry.

You remember when Willys-Overland workers labored for 35c per hour. Well, today, these same workers earn—under much better working conditions — anywhere from four to six times that much per hour.

All without strikes.

All gained through peaceful collective bargaining.

History In Other Plants Same

We could, of course, recite the history of our Union in everyone of our other plants. But that would be too much repitition. For in all of our plants the history of our Union is pretty much the same.

We have a good union, a democratic union. Our people have a right to vote—by SECRET BALLOT, as "Toots" Martin so well knows. No one is kept from voting. **In the Willys-Overland plant, elections are held open for TWO DAYS just to give everyone an opportunity to cast his or her ballot.**

Practically the same condition prevails in all of our plants.

As for the future, we look forward with confidence; confidence in our membership, in our Union, in our community and in our country. Confidence in democracy and the American way of life. As for continued industrial peace, we say this:

"In every case we shall make every possible effort to settle all of our grievances, all of our wage and contract problems thruogh peaceful collective bargaining and we shall resort to strike action only when (1) there is no other solution left to us and (2) after our membership —in a secret ballot as directed by our International Constitution—orders us to take this action to protect their welfare."

This, in brief, is our past history. This, in brief, is our program regardless of all the bellowing the "Toots" Martins may do; regardless of the irresponsible and reprehensible interference of Paul Block's newspapers and money in the internal affairs of our Union.

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Compiled By RALPH YOUNG, Unit Secretary

SPARKLETS

CHAMPION UNIT

Leonard English Borglin
Dept. D, 1st Shift

Leona Smith, inspector on line No. 6, was one year older on February 5th. She was passing out home-made cake and store candy and both were very delicious and accepted by all. We wished her many more such pleasant occasions. Two days later, Feb. 7th, Leona and her husband, Charlie, celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary. Charlie is a Tool Grinder in A. A very pleasant young couple, always a smile on their faces. God bless you and may you spend many more such happy years in the future as in the past. Congratulations to both of you from all of us.

Blood donors from D 1st, last week were: Hazel Gill, Andy Holmes and Robert Kay. Thanks to all of you.

Benny Tomaszewski, the inspector (F) in our department, bowled for the first time at the Palace Alleys a week ago, Saturday, and had an average of 78 for four games. Very good, I would say for the first attempt. Just imagine what his game will be like with a few lessons from Hank Lawecki. Chester Augustyniak take notice because Benny is a natural. His hidden talent has been found.

George Thrun, Sergeant of the Guards at the Main Gate, is to be highly commended for his good deed when he assisted Pat Patterson from the main gate to the plant door last week when the driveway was a mass of ice and very dangerous for a person to walk on, especially when a person has a bad leg as Pat has. George also assists many other employees in various capacities such as calling the cab for our blood donors.

Nina Schmidt, Packing Machine No. 2, took off work for a couple of days last week to celebrate a very special occasion — a wedding anniversary on February 25th — 24 years of lovely wedded bliss. On several instances, I have kidded with Nina, but I am really sincere when I wish Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt many more such pleasant events.

The ever smiling Alice Cody was the center of attraction at a party held in the dept. for her on February 2nd to commemorate her birthday which was two days later, February 4th. Another party was held for Alice and her mother who had a birthday on the same day. Everyone present had a real good time. Congratulations to both of you.

A very nice potluck lunch was held for a very nice guy named, James Holland, who is going into the Armed Forces in the very near future. Jim is a very popular young fellow and I know he appreciates all of you girls have done for him. Good luck to you, Jim, while in the service and let's hope you are back working with us again real soon.

Farewell parties were held for Skippy Young at Irene Vargo Myers' house and at Mary Rinehart's house last week. At these parties, they prepared Skippys favorite dishes: Chicken, pigs-in-a-blanket, lemon and banana cream pie and all of the rest of the trimmings that go with it. They wanted to be sure that his tummy was full when they measured him for that Navy uniform. I'll bet it was too.

All jokes to one side, we wish Skippy the very best of luck and may he return safely soon.

Two other young fellows are entering the Armed Forces from this department, Eugene Kleplek and Dave Petrie. We all wish you a safe return real soon.

Three employees from this department had the misfortune of the loss of their fathers: Ruby Martin, Hank Greena and Abe Miller. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the survivors.

Last week when the ice was so bad and employees' cars were stuck, Pete and his son Steve, who works in E, gave a helping hand and helped them on their merry way. Yours truly helped a little.

Did everyone notice the pictures of some of the Champion employees in the Union Journal last week?? A good looking bunch of guys and gals. (What are you looking for, English, campaign donations?? RHY)

Don't forget to report your news each week, birthdays, anniversaries, blessed events, etc. Also read your bulletin board daily.

Good bye, now, see you next week.

Irene Nowak, Dept. E, 2nd Shift

The girls will miss Whitey Evans, who is going to the hospital. But we hope it will be only for a short time. We wish you a speedy recovery, Whitey.

Say, Aggie, we didn't know you were the Green Coat Bandit. We all got a big kick just looking at Aggie, when we were notified to look to see if we all had our own green coats. When Aggie noticed she had the wrong one, her face turned all colors. It's all right Aggie, we know you didn't mean any harm, we all make mistakes.

Little Eye, Dept. E, 3rd Shift

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young on the birth of their son Mike. (Thanks, Little Eye. RHY).

We are sorry to have to report that three of our people were injured badly in an automobile accident on their way to work during the icy weather. The injured are Larry Talbert, Thalia "Ted" Hubbell and Irene Eyre. We hope you recover soon and we will be happy to see you back to work.

I hear the car was demolished.

We wish to welcome the newly hired people on the 3rd shift. Among them are Jerry Howell and Doris Mathews on Plug Tamping and Emily Zeiler on Silliment.

The new men are Richard Swonger, James Alcorn, John Horgan, Wayne Barnby, Wendell Betz and Ben Laird. I hope I haven't missed anyone.

We are also happy to see Ginny Fry join us on the 3rd shift. Her happy smiles are welcome ones.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bielwaski on their 19th Wedding Anniversary on February 8th. Frances works on Sllimenting.

Happy anniversary also to Mr. and Mrs. Connell on Feb. 16th. Dottie is on Sllimeting, also.

Congratulations are also due to Shorty. Since our stewardess, Myrtly Kintz, has bid, successfully on the 2nd shift, Shorty has taken over her duties. She is doing a wonderful job. Keep up the good work, Shorty.

Who had icicles on her? And who asked the guard to take them off?

Al Tucker Tucholski
Dept. B, All Shifts

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Al "Hom" Matuszewski on the death of his father.

Clem Orlowski had a real night on the alleys last Friday. Good enough for the jack-pot. The league this year is really a close fight from the bottom to the top.

John Lukasik is still looking for the receipt but he feels much relieved after talking to cheerful R.H.Y.

They tell me that the secret of "Morning Glory" can be traced to Celia Ryan, right?

Joe Dobrzynski, Mike Feltman, and Adam Sablowski had a good time at the regular meeting of the Holy Name Society last Sunday. A nice bunch of guys.

Young Barrett Kiff, son of "Barry" of the threaders, is getting a real reputation as a boxer at Parris Island, Marine Base. In his last go, he defeated an opponent who weighed in at 219. Barrett weighs in at 179. The boy really has style.

The new face in B is Glenn Mattin, formerly of Dept. D.

Jim Vinson, Dept. D, 2nd Shift

Theresa Reiter claims that Jan. 27th marks her 17th wedding anniversary. We did not doubt the date, but the seventeen years! That would have made Theresa about twelve years old when she was married—what!!

Alice Kosinski, watching a trained bull act on TV, seriously inquired concerning the sex of this animal. At first, we thought this very funny, then we remembered that many people are deceived by "bull".

Dorothy Kazmierczak, after February 9th, will be absent on a pregnancy leave. Her friends had a luncheon and shower for her earlier in the week.

Her birthday over, a certain feller,
Penned a greeting for Bernice Keller.
Pleasant to him this small endeavor.
His philosophy this: "better late, than never.'

Let us emphasize again, anyone having advance information as to birthday dates, will help us greatly to publish such items before and not after they happen. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

The following women have been invited to a spaghetti dinner by Mary Jankowski to be served in her home: Eleanore Kucharski, Frances Lubinski, Harriet Waddas, Caroline Dressler, and Pat Wingerter. We'd be willing to wager that the spaghetti will be as savory as Mary, herself.

Alma Harper, instructress, is seen, of late, behind the wheel of a shiny Power-Glide. We like our 1946 model.

Don't know what we're going to do! All our friends seem to be going to "L". (No pun intended).

Max Stucker manages to get in the news. His name appeared in the Blade in connection with a story about squirrels that have made a nest under a part of his roof, causing a leak. Max just didn't have the heart to chase them out, as they have some babies. This makes Max both human and humane.

It would make pleasant reading if some flinty hearted landlords were as considerate in giving a home to human children.

Irene Cameron Malosh,
Dept. E., 1st Shift

Stella Vass wants to thank everyone for the lovely gifts and cards she received while at home convalescing from her automobile accident. She said the Union Journal meant so much to her too. It kept her in touch with the people she works with. We are glad to see you back too, Stella.

Union Office RHY

Dorothy Bellamy wishes us to thank all the Union members for the lovely flowers she received while she was in the hospital recently. She says they really make you feel grand and she wants to get back to work soon. The Baby is doing fine and his daddy wants to teach him to be a boxer. (Already??)

We heard from Freddie Rice and we are glad to announce that he is back home. Hope you will hurry and get back to work Freddy.

Sorry to hear that Ethel Bunyak was ordered to the hospital. She called us on Saturday to tell us she had to go to Riverside hospital. Keep your chin up, Ethel and we'll be seeing you. RHY.

Colonel Tarver,
Dept. E., 1st Shift

Alice Zaciek, silliment lines, said goodbye to her friends at the shop last week. She is taking one of those extended leaves to keep a date with the famous bird who makes work for the census takers. Alice's friends gave her a farewell party and a complete wardrobe of baby things, including a high-chair, a chest of drawers, a baby bunting, a baby blanket, a sweater outfit, diapers, bed jacket and a receiving blanket. May your fondest dreams come true, Mr. and Mrs. Zaciek.

Fred Rice, Stud lines, underwent a major operation in Robinwood Hospital last week. A gift of cash was sent to him as a token of friendship from us at Champion. We wish you a speedy recovery, Freddie.

Doris Munson Langenderfer sent around a 5 pound box of delicious chocolates last week to signify her appreciation of her friends efforts in seeing her off to a happy honeymoon.

Anna Walsh, Stud lines, celebrated her birthday on February 5th with a little informal party of friends at the plant. She received numerous gifts and greeting cards. Congratulations, Anna.

Melvin and Alice Grocki and Dolores Drabik were among the newcomers to our department and received the traditional cordial welcome.

Helen Karzewski, Silliment lines, was given a surprise party at Champion by her friends, who remembered that her birthday was February 6th. Helen received a number of useful gifts. Congratulations, Helen.

Happy birthday to Catherine Burger, Feb. 10th and Ruth Block on Feb. 12th. Many hapuy returns of the day to each of you.

Union Office, Ralph H. Young

Remember the election for Executive Committee offices on Tuesday, February 20th and Wednesday, February 21st. Voting will be February 20th from 6:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. (after midnight).

February 21st from 6:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. Election will be near the main gate in the election booth.

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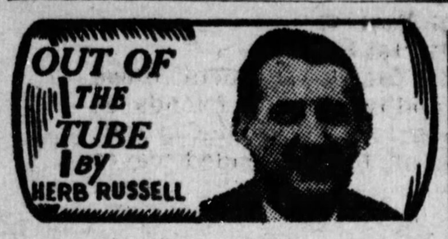

Howdy folks. You husbands better remember to tell your wife that you forgot Feb. 14th was Valentine Day.

Ground hog day has come and gone and winter is still with us. But wonder why John shaved that week.

Did you folks see our friend Bill Borden's picture in the Journal? A beautiful girl said yes to Bill. Congratulations to both and a long and happy married life for them.

George Rushlow had another year overtake him last week. Said he forgot and left the cigars at Coty's.

Nick from the fabricating department was passing out cigars. Another happy event.

Want to feel good? Look around the home and gather up the loose tax stamps. Some boy or girl can go to Summer Camp through your efforts.

Elise brought a bag full (over $300.00 worth) last week. Thanks a million to Elise.

Red Meter has the family all back home now in Waterville, including the new baby JoAnn.

What Steel Tuber rated a special mention in Journal last week? Clue, the score was 376.

Steve and Frank, the bowling captains, ask you to support the raffle and win a big ham, hey Vince.

Looks like the boys in the shipping room will be called back to work with all the shipping that's going on, although it takes a real war to put everybody back to work.

Harry Fahisiak, Paul Lenz and Ballard Donnell are back on the payroll. Glad to see you boys.

Andy Collins was only off one day. A small truck was in the way but Andy had insurance.

Florian visited the shop last week. Nice to see him around again.

The boys on No. 3 welder would like to have the gadget removed. Might help production.

Glamour—Take a look at the Tubes Party pictures in todays paper.

Watch the parking of cars for a while. Seems like the police are having a sort of tag contest.

The Blue Cross notified us they were terminating existing contracts here in shop. Details on that later when we learn more.

When the census taker visited a home on St. John St., he inquired of the head of the house how many children. Butch replied four, but there aint going to be any more. The puzzled census taker asked, "How do you know?" Butch replied, because every fifth child born in this world is a Chinese.

You should visit the Home and Sportsman Show opening at the Civic Auditorium this week, Sat., Feb. 17th. We have some tickets that will save you money.

At Twin Lakes, Kalamazoo, Michigan, all you do to get fish is chop a hole through the ice. The thick ice plus the deep snow means no oxygen for the fish. They leap through the hole I am told.

The fishermen reported a good week end on Sandusky Bay and around the islands.

A penny postal card will get you a nice catalogue and prize from the Heddon Co. Write them.

Please write to your State Representative to vote no on House Bill No. 66. That bill is a vicious bill against wild life and every nature lover should protest it.

Tom Blevins attended Local 12 meeting last Friday. Tom was nominated to run for guide.

Did you know that there is an office in the Pentagon in Washington, D. C. occupied by the confused Record Clerk. A lost Joe.

Drop over and see Clarence Peters some time. He is getting around in a wheel chair but will make you a swell belt. Howdy Clarence from all of us.

Who said they would like to report a missing wife? But she keeps hanging around.

B. Beam says the B in his name is for bleach.

Will have to check the Clinic some day and see some of those pretty nurses. Seems like some of the boys make regular trips over there.

Today—Now—Friday, Feb. 16 from 8:30 A.M. to 8 P.M., go to Local 12, 425 Winthrop St. and vote your choice for delegates to the International Convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio. Herb Russell has been nominated as one of the candidates from the small shops and would welcome your support. Contact your Committeeman for full details.

This month the personnel of the Executive Shop Committee as follows: Herbert Russell, chairman; Ed Napolski, Paul Armstrong, Ray Nichols and LaVerne Carr, committeemen; Stanley Smieszny, secretary and treasurer; Red Sniengowski as sergeant-at-arms.

Please send in your news and we will put your name in the paper.

Remember to look for the Journal Friday and vote.

Toledo Steel Tube Unit Party

The Toledo Steel Tube Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO, had a party in conjunction with one of their meetings. Having a fine time as the photographer came along were left to right, front row, Jean Lowe, Butch Nadolny, Josephine Zarecki, Ed Napolski, Helen Gaylas, Anna May Harpster. Standing left to right are John Rafalski, Vince Kaczmierek, Vince Saunders, Vincent Smieszny and Stanley Gaworski.

In photo below more members of the Tube Unit. Left to right, clockwise are Arnold Shenofsky, providing entertainment, Joe Manuzak, Jean Lowe, Herb Russell, chairman of the Unit; Vince Saunders and LaVerne Carr.

Ferrer Signed For 'Anything Can Happen'

HOLLYWOOD — Currently widely mentioned as an Academy Award contender for his stellar performance as Cyrano de Bergerac, Broadway and Hollywood star Jose Ferrer was signed recently by Producers William Perlberg and George Seaton for the role of George Papashvily in "Anything Can Happen."

Based on Papashvily's autobiographical best seller, a recent Book of the Month Club hit, "Anything Can Happen" details the Balkan immigrant's hilarious adventures on the road to attaining American citizenship.

Ferrer is currently on the New York stage with Gloria Swanson in "Twentieth Century," one of the season's prize successes. He recently portrayed a Latin American dictator in "Crisis," co-starring Cary Grant.

"Anything Can Happen" will be Ferrer's fourth film, and it will be the first to be personallly produced by William Perlberg and directed and written by George Seaton under their new contract with Paramount Studios. First on their slate is "Rhubarb," which rolls in February with Ray Milland starred, but they function only as coproducers of this film which will be directed by Arthur Lubin.

"Mr. Music" Scoring Big

HOLLYWOOD—Opening engagements of Paramount's "Mr. Music" indicate that it will be one of the company's top grossers for 1951, according to A. W. Schwalberg, president, Paramount Film Distributing Corp.

Backed by a mighty promotion campaign celebrating Bing Crosby's 20th anniversary as a showbusiness star, the picture has played a near record number of key city holdover engagements in the month of January, swelling the total racked up in December when "Mr. Music" went into national release.

IN THE PAST

Sidney Lanfield, who recently directed Paramount's "The Lemon Drop Kid," Damon Runyon comedy starring Bob Hope, Marilyn Maxwell and Lloyd Nolan, was a member of the original Dixieland Jazz Band in the late twenties.

EX-FOOTBALL STAR

Tom Harmon, former Michigan All-American football star, has been signed to enact his real-life role of football announcer in Hal Wallis' "That My Boy," comedy starring Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis.

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Bowling Scores

Local 12 Women's League, Friday Night

LAKESIDE				WILLYS NO. 1			
H. Frisch	119	165	161	J. Dombrowski	142	115	147
R. Bielowski	111	100	140	E. Warchol	128	132	125
B. Nasty	100	88	116	M. Kubicki	166	131	163
D. Brocki	134	158	152	D. Hudecek	13	178	131
P. Stec	198	162	143	V. Price	171	147	145
Total	662	673	712	Total	743	703	711
DeVILBISS RUBBER				**COLUMBIA BURNER**			
L. Spross	150	98	84	M. Lewis	130	140	126
N. Schaefer	143	140	114	M. Veith	148	135	146
W. Dudkowski	135	143	156	T. Brocki	133	150	122
R. Krohn	114	98	112	M. Kubiak	158	119	113
M. Hansen	105	119	144	Low Score	109	94	73
Total	647	588	669	Total	678	638	580
P.A.C.				**WILLYS NO. 2**			
H. Gray	166	159	133	H. Radan	167	157	129
E. Anderson	129	130	121	B. Holt	126	115	105
I. Michalak	187	128	146	I. Karpanty	112	173	126
I. Kozlowski	160	161	199	D. Zielinski	122	90	101
S. Brubaker	166	137	149	M. Matuszynski	139	135	139
Total	808	715	748	Total	666	670	600
MARTIN PARRY				**DeVILBISS SPRAY**			
D. Scoville	114	142	120	S. Gardi	123	133	177
R. Abt	184	101	139	J. Geiser	109	134	128
F. Saul	134	108	105	B. Kirk	114	94	73
M. Chorzempa	132	89	96	R. Hepfinger	145	102	113
V. Kesmeyer	133	175	140	C. Thornton	147	145	161
Total	697	615	600	Total	638	618	652

Men's League — Bowl-O-Drome

PAC				AUTO-LITE			
C. Pawlecki	213	173	173	J. Przybszy	191	144	115
P. McClellan	143	179	195	Z. Humanski	131	193	151
L. Zielinski	219	142	189	K. Lent	145	221	180
Z. Klosowski	169	184	180	V. Pawlowski	153	160	181
B. Kubacki	178	184	188	S. Trzcinski	180	194	156
Totals	922	862	925	Totals	800	912	783
W-O NO. 1				**BUDDIES LUNCH**			
J. Majoros (sub)	149	200	178	P. Bronkie	171	206	181
A. Henes	123	147	144	F. Gubanski sub	123	177	159
V. Cianchetta	140	152	189	S. Kusz	211	150	181
S. Csengeri	187	169	124	D. Warner	155	162	150
W. Gadus	162	123	115	J. Mroz	174	177	141
Totals	761	758	739	Totals	858	862	812
W-O NO. 2				**BURKE FOR CONGRESS**			
E. Chapman	179	147	150	R. Engelhardt	169	134	168
Low Score	134	134	126	V. Mikol	134	163	126
L. Rimboch	146	133	145	H. Niezgocki sub	164	179	167
S. Filipiak	160	192	146	Smoktonowicz	160	160	150
E. Jenkins	189	165	148	E. Niedbalski	155	179	155
Totals	808	771	715	Totals	782	804	766
BODY SHOP				**UNION JOURNAL**			
Low Score	133	142	138	F. Flowers	146	154	168
J. Gilgenbach	125	153	149	G. Lipe	180	173	187
H. Larberg	118	136	142	B. Lewandowski	161	215	169
B. Stroud	122	170	167	H. Lewandowski	133	142	170
G. Mezinko	132	190	133	G. Rock	178	136	138
Totals	630	791	729	Totals	798	820	832

Men's Tuesday League — Marathon

BINGHAM				W-O CIO			
J. Czerniak	218	208	179	S. Weinstein	168	144	109
A. Bradley	139	163	173	T. Mendel	170	143	157
E. Machcinski	202	149	140	C. Kwiatkowski	134	139	134
O. Owczarzak	182	210	193	S. Rokicki	162	179	147
J. Wisniewski	185	182	160	H. Lewandowski	138	188	174
Totals	926	912	845	Totals	772	793	721
DRIVEAWAY				**WILLYS UAW**			
B. Langlois	177	159	155	G. Rock	166	179	205
W. Bishop	257	154	177	G. Lipe	145	139	186
V. Ball	163	177	182	B. Miller	140	166	148
A. Ross	135	199	195	L. Zielinski	181	155	176
M. Aumiller	164	157	145	L. Florkowski	186	151	212
Totals	896	846	854	Totals	812	790	927
TOLEDO PRESSED STEEL				**W-O FLYING SQUADRON**			
W. Szafarowicz	150	168	181	C. Miller	138	149	126
B. Mikolajczak	134	138	173	J. Stafford	170	163	205
F. Grayczyk	171	150	155	C. Johnson	111	125	121
R. Engelhardt	202	135	164	D. Seretsky	129	169	138
L. Rybka	201	176	190	B. Walker	132	170	130
Totals	858	767	863	Totals	680	776	721
DeVILBISS				**TOLEDO STEEL TUBE NO. 2**			
J. Gajewski	135	153	141	W. Adamski	153	114	156
P. Loehrke	136	143	168	H. Waffle	145	152	187
R. Holey (sub)	149	151	194	B Sutton	172	148	126
A. Pointinger	204	189	121	F. Vore	150	171	172
Smoktonowicz	147	158	161	A. Manuzak	161	178	125
Totals	775	796	764	Totals	781	763	766
COLONIAL HARDWARE				**PAC**			
B. Hammer	144	126	184	D. Sitter	165	187	136
L. Gerke	135	150	125	V. Cianchetta	158	149	148
G. Aufdenkampe	132	135	118	T. Kosnek	152	147	174
M. Garber	154	174	149	W. Stevens	177	171	147
F. Hood	159	177	191	A. Dobrochowski	133	174	145
Totals	724	762	767	Totals	784	828	750
TOLEDO STEEL TUBE NO. 1				**W-O UNIT**			
A. Gutowski	156	151	165	E. Leffel	158	213	176
V. Crawford	177	180	174	F. Bowell	135	158	210
S. Smiesbny	136	170	157	J. Majoros	183	182	179
M. Matuszynski	134	162	211	R. Zielas	162	193	204
R. Matuszynski	198	185	146	D. Mattoni	146	180	162
Totals	801	848	853	Totals	785	926	931

Lead Women's Friday League

Pacesetters in the Women's Local 12 League bowling is the PAC team. They are defending champions and may repeat. Left to right: Isabell Kozlowski, Hazel Gray, Irene Michalak, Elva Anderson and Sophie Brubaker.

Women — First Base Rec.

JONES & LAUGHLIN				BINGHAM STAMPING			
A. Parker	100	112	138	D. Collins	89	118	102
O. Woodring	138	143	132	V. Kujawa	142	150	130
G. Jordan	152	135	147	V. Haupricht	127	103	113
K. Przybylski	101	104	121	M. Schmith	132	109	154
L. Johnson	121	129	114	A. Hill	145	166	160
				Totals	635	646	659
REGION 2-B				**WILLYS-OVERLAND**			
J. Smith	104	122	92	H. Kelley (avg.)	104	104	104
R. Gosser (avg.)	130	130	130	D. Todd	97	121	117
F. Aufdenkampe	132	130	162	M. Ethington	123	167	99
H. Toth	109	102	109	A. Szykowny	102	105	179
B. Newman	101	122	101	M. Jones	136	140	179
Totals	576	606	594	Totals	562	637	678
CHAMPION CHAMPS				**LOCAL 12 BAR ROOM**			
R. Martin (avg.)	138	138	138	D. Szymanowski	165	133	163
D. Tesch	141	113	117	G. Gibson	160	93	132
B. Young	115	136	134	L. Schoenfelt	132	132	124
H. Kenngott	120	201	171	B. Lahr	142	122	106
A. Kujawa	141	124	112	L. Krolak	153	148	123
Totals	655	712	672	Totals	752	628	648
LOCAL 12 DUES GIRLS				**CHAMPION SPARKS**			
A. Pompos	88	105	134	M. Blatt	139	182	183
B. Dean	128	116	147	C. Brunner	165	165	175
M. Barto	107	121	101	B. Lucas	135	142	148
A. Kries	100	90	81	L. Moore	121	142	111
H. Daley (avg.)	92	92	92	M. Hein	165	180	164
Totals	515	524	555	Totals	725	811	781

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1951 Basketball League Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE			AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
Willys-Overland No. 1	6	0	Willys-Overland No. 2	3	1
*Spicer	4	1	Auto-Lite No. 2	3	1
*Auto-Lite No. 1	3	2	Industrial Heat Treat	3	2
Unit Cast	2	4	Acklin Stamping	2	3
National Supply	1	5	Schultz Die	1	4
Surface Combustion	1	5			
* Have one game to make up			* Have one game to make up		

Harness Meet Dates Are Set

It may be winter time but the harness racing spark is burning brightly in the Toledo area following announcement of the 1951 meeting dates for Toledo Fort Miami Raceway.

In announcing dates for its sixth year of harness racing, Fort Miami signed up for a spring and fall meeting, returning to a former program after last year's full 44-night fall meetin.

The spring meet will arrive on May 12 and close on June 16 for a 31 night stand. The fall meeting will be held the final weeks of October. As always has been the case, there will be racing every night except Sunday.

As an additional highlight will be the longest Grand Circuit stopover in the Raceway's colorful history. The "Ragin' Grand" will open its activities for the season at Fort Miami on May 21 and run for three weeks through June 9. This once again assures the Toledo track of the finest of the standard breds and their drivers.

The same applies for the rest of the spring meet and the late fall get-together for the list of Fort Miami purses is an attractive one.

Highlighting the Circuit meeting once more will be the famed Matron Stakes, a fixture of Grand Circuit meets here.

While President Sam Cordovano is busy contacting horsemen and racing officials in various sections of the country to line up the best possible fields, preparations for improving Fort Miami are going ahead full blast despite bad weather conditions. The Raceway is determined to make it the finest in all Ohio and many additional plans have been laid to achieve this end.

STANDINGS			
P.A.C.	62	7	734
Willys No. 1	43	26	696
Willys No. 2	41	28	687
Lakeside	39	40	681
DeVilbiss Rubber	30	39	652
DeVilbiss Spray	21	48	624
Columbia	17	52	631
Martin Parry	17	52	628

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Zanies Doodles Weaver, left, and Spike Jones choose up sides with a plumber's instrument for a baseball game as could be presented only by the City Slickers in their 1951 Musical Depreciation Revue. This weird outfit will offer their show at Sports Arena Tuesday night, Feb. 27. Tickets are now onsale at the Sports Arena and the B R Baker Company.

IN THIS CORNER with E. C. "RED" MAC DONALD

TWO MEMBERS of the Local 12 boxing team earlier this week battled their way into the Golden Gloves finals which will be held tonight in the Sports Arena.

Scheduled to go in the heavyweight division is Neal Welch, who until last Monday night had never had a fight. The 205-pound Welch surprised everbody by scoring a 3-round kayo over Elmer Balogh, veteran Police-Fire swinger.

Balogh was considered by many to be the best in the heavyweight class. But this didn't bother Neal who got off the canvas himself in the second round to record the victory.

In his second bout, Welch defeated Al Stockard of the Indiana YMCA. He will meet Buddy Sheckles of the Shamrock A. C. in a battle for the Chicago trip.

Local 12's other finalist, Willie Windom, gave the crowd one of the fastest knockouts of the evening Monday, when he stopped Bill Stiles, Local 9, in 42 seconds of the first round.

Windom continued his winning ways the second night when he flattened Walter Gabriel, another Local 9 welter. Willie will face Leon Crosby of Cestus Club in the welter novice division.

Other Local 12 boys showed very well especially Fletcher Sawyer, novice feather, who pounded out two wins before losing to Ralph Guy of Monroe.

Lewis Thomas got a bad break when officials counted him out in his bout with Benny Perales on opening night. Thomas was declared the loser when a mix-up between the referee and timekeeper took place.

Lupe Sota, Local 12 lightweight, won his opening bout Monday night but was defeated Tuesday in a close battle.

In the two nights of fighting the Local 12 team totaled eight points to place high in the standings.

Should Welch and Windom win tonight, both will go to Chicago but only Welch will be eligible to fight. Novice winners will make the trip but only open champions will represent Toledo in the Tournament of Champions.

Indoor Event On Tap For All Midget Fans

The indoor event of the year is on tap for all you midget fans at the Sports Arena on Sunday, Feb. 18, when Skippy Jechura presents his indoor championship event of the year. Time trials are slated to begin at 1:30 p.m. and the main events to receive the green flag at 2:30 with Fibber riding the rails as Skippy has been receiving entry blanks from drivers from all over the mid-west and barring bad weather, this Sunday should see one of the finest collections of drivers and cars of the year.

One of the outstanding drivers in the game, in the mid-west, will be in action when Art Hartsfield gets behind the wheel of his red and black No. 7. Art, at the present time, is behind Ralph Pratt, leader so far, by two points in the standings this season for the present indoor races. "High Pockets," as he is known to his many friends in the racing circles, has been in the game for more years than he cares to remember. Art was a motorcycle racer in his earlier days in the game and appeared in races in Europe. He was midget champ in 1942 at the old Fort Miami track, and has the distinction of being the first driver to introduce the ever popular "Offie" in Toledo. When indoor races were run for the first time in Chicago, and Madison Square Garden, Art's name was on the list of entries and he made a name for himself as the man to beat in all the events he entered.

The program for Sunday afternoon is being held on the smallest indoor track in the world, and will consist of the folowing events. Four heat races of 15 laps each, a 15 lap Trophy dash between the six fastest qualifiers, the 20 lap Australian Pursuit race, a 25 lap consolation and the 100 lap championship race. Match races will be held with the crowd being the judge as to who they would like to see run against each other.

Weekend Of Sports

FRIDAY

Basketball

Central vs Libbey at Libbey
Woodward vs DeVilbiss at DeVilbiss
Waite vs Macomber at Macomber
Preliminary games start at 7 p.m.

Boxing

Finals Golden Gloves, Sports Arena, 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Basketball

Miami of Ohio vs Toledo U., Field House, 8:15 p.m.
Scott vs Port Clinton at Port Clinton

Hockey

Mercurys vs Grand Rapids, at Sports Arena, 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Midgets

Midget Auto Races, Sports Arena, Time Trials start at 1:30 p.m.

National Supply Scares League Leading Willys

By Norm Meyers

Things were humming over at Robinson Jr. High Monday night as the Local 12 Basketball schedule went into the second round of play. Willys-Overland No. 1 continued on their undefeated way by squeezing by a surprising National Supply team 46 to 44. Spicer won an upset victory over Auto Lite No. 1, 49 to 48 to take over second spot and Unit Cast jumped from last position to fourth in their 42 to 30 nod over Surface Combustion.

In the American league Willys-Overland No. 2 gained a tie for first place when they set back Acklin Stamping 35 to 26. The much improved Industrial Heat Treat boys held onto their third spot rating in their 40 to 24 defeat at the expense of Schultz Die Casting.

The Willys-Overland No. 1 team and National Supply put on a real battle in which the lead changed some 16 times during the ball game. Willys lead at the half time period was 25 to 16 but National continued to peck away during the last period and nearly caught the winners at the finish. All members of the Willys team figured in the scoring division and were paced by Owen Jones who was again high man with 12 points. The Willys victory was gained by the good team play of all members of the squad. For National Supply it was F. Karzowski with 14 points and Jack O'Connel with 11 who nearly upset the apple cart for the Jeepsters.

Unit Cast and Surface Combustion put on a much closer battle than the score indicated. The Casting boys led at the half time 20 to 12 and continued to hold off the bid of the Surface five to win the ball game 42 to 30. P. Harris of the Casting quintet was high man for his mates by putting 13 points through the hoops followed by teammate W. West who meshed 8. For the Surface boys forward Dick Sabin was high mtn in the scoring division with 12 counters.

In the best game of the evening Spicer defeated Auto-Lite No. 1 in a thriller 49 to 48, on a mid-court, sensational one-hand shot by Ezra Moore with 8 seconds of playing time remaining. Spicer led at half time 22 to 19. With the lead changing 12 times during the ball game Spicer managed to hold off the Auto-Lite five to gain their well earned victory. For the Spicer boys it was B. Altman who had the eye for the evening with his 14 points followed by teammate D. Schuette with a nights effort good for 10 counters. The scoring for the Auto-Lite five was divided by P. Russell and Joe Horvath with 11 points apiece.

Willys-Overland No. 2 defeated the Acklin Stamping boys 35 to 26 in their setto to gain first place in the American League. Leading at half time by the score of 20 to 18 the Willys Juniors limited the Stamping boys to 8 points while scoring 15 for themselves in the last half. Melvin Hall of the Junior Jeepsters was the big gun for his club with 10 points. Dick Reid of the Stampers matched him in total points for his nights play, but his points were offset by the scoring ability of the rest of the Willys five.

Industrial Heat Treat kept a firm hold on third spot in this division by taking the measure of Schultz Die 40 to 24. Ahead at half time 27 to 10 Manager Dick Morris used all players in order to give all the boys a chance for some exercise. As I have said before, this is the most improved team in the division and it looks like the boys are starting to click. J. Schramm besides playing a good floor game for his team was high man for the Heating boys by collaring 1 7points during the evening. Mel Uerz led the Casting boys in the scoring division with a total of 14 points.

In regards to the playoffs that everyone is asking me about. It was decided to have the first two teams in each division meet at the end of the second round to determine the winner of the season.

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UAW-CIO Fish Fry In Defiance

When the annual fish fry put on by Local 638, UAW-CIO in Defiance comes around the people really turn out. For one thing, the fish is good. For another, the entertainment is the best.

But most important of all, the funds raised go to the support of Defiance's Junior League baseball team. The team is sponsored jointly by Locals 638, 211 and 110, and the contribution of those who attend the Local 638 affair goes a long way toward their share of the financing.

On this page are a few of the many pictures taken of the happy people who showed up at the gathering last week. Space alone prevented a bigger spread for one of Defiance's outstanding social events.

And here are the fried fish-eaters of Local 638; (above, clockwise) William Wierick, Edward Fricke, Travis Steel, Claude Stork and Leonard Pricke and Harold Kolbe, International Representative, Region 2-B. Below, Kelly Ryan watches two old timers, Bill and Dutch, drinking fresh spring water and two old timers, Bill and Dutch, driking fresh spring water and enjoying the annual UAW-CIO affair in Defiance.

Martin Reveals

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and under Gosser's guidance. Their security, their seniority, their pensions and health insurance, their holidays with pay their vacations with pay, their very way of life has been built up to a peak of decency for them by Gosser and those around him.

There was a time — before Gosser—when times were hard and dignity and decency were only a dream for the workers at Willys-Overland.

It is not that way now — just as the people voted their gratitude to, and their confidence in, the Roosevelt who brought them out of depression into plenty.

This is what Toots Martin finds so unbearably democratic and this may be why, too, Toots Martin and his friends (if he has any) had no candidates to oppose the officers who have brought all this about for the membership.

Those who have read the two Blade "revelations" with care know that they didn't say anything; but since they must have had a reason, this may be it:

Paul Block Junior is in the process of taking another licking. He tried to create a revolt in Local 12 ranks; he tried to interfere in the conduct of Local 12 affairs and in its elections.

The revolt flopped so far.

The Martin-Fiske articles are presumably advanced preparation for some new Blade campaign of union-busting. How much help Toots Martin will be remains to be seen.

News From Skilled Trades

Bernard Simon, President of the Northwestern Ohio Skilled Trades Council, Region 2-B was selected to serve on the apprentice committee of the Skilled Trades division of the UAW-CIO, which presently is convened in Detroit.

Brother Simon is well prepared to present the various problems that have, and might arise, concerning the apprentices that are being called into the military services of our country. ing the apprentices that are being called into the military services of our country.

Brother Simon is employed in one of the largest plants in the region, and carries with him many years of experience in the skilled fields.

The officers and members of Region 2-B extend their congratulations to Brother Simon along with their added cooperation.

The Board of the Northwestern Ohio Skilled Trades Council meets Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The photographer and the card committee will be present at that time, to examine and approve applications for journeyman's card.

Fred C. Kuenning
Council Reporter

Red Nose

George Morris, the so-called labor columnist of the Communist Daily Worker, has been reading the Blade again.

He agrees with it.

He shares Paul Block Junior's opinion of Richard T. Gosser, and shares the Blade's opinion of the way Local 12 members run their own affairs without the permission of Block or the Communist Party.

The Daily Worker shares the Blade's apparent view that it's all right to twist the news a little in the name of a campaign.

We don't know what attracted Morris to Toledo recently, for his latest blast against Gosser and the rank-and-file.

But it might have been the smell of burning Blade editorials.

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